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Community efforts light Sugar Loaf

By Angela Cabreana
Staff Writer

After a season of darkness, the familiar rock formation Winona residents know to be Sugar Loaf is once again aglow with lights.

The lights that surround the formation endured \$8,000 to \$10,000 worth of damage over the summer. Because of this damage, Sugar Loaf was not lit all winter. Sugar Loaf Furniture had a sale this last winter and gave the profits made by the sale to the relighting effort.

Much of the money that was used to repair the damage done to the lights was paid by Doug Heilman, of J & D Specialities, who is also the

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Changes in store for WSU union

By Michelle Wolf
News Editor

The Student Union renovation process is under way. Changes to the Student Union began to be discussed last November.

Focus groups initially met to come up with ideas for renovating the union. The groups were made up of about eight university organizations. The group came up with 37 ideas for changes to the union.

Two open meetings were held in February for faculty and staff. And more recently, a survey was sent out to 800 students, faculty and staff. About 194 surveys were returned.

Based on the returned surveys, the top eight interests are being looked into. Those interests include more computer labs, a post office/UPS service, movie rentals, fast food, a convenience store, a fitness/wellness center, a Ticket Master and a 24-hour coffee shop/cyber cafe.

"The eight ideas are kind of new ideas," survey statistician Jonathon Halbesleben said.

Halbesleben also said more changes could be added to the list.

Also on the survey were a list of words students, faculty and staff would use to describe the union. The most popular selected words to describe the union were busy and social, with sterile as the least popular descriptive word.

In early April a meeting was held for anyone that would be affected by the changes, including WSU President Darrel Krueger and Mary Simota, campus services director.

"It's important to talk to everyone that uses the union," Housing and Residence Life Director John Ferden said.

Student Coordinator of Union Renovations Hilary Hardin said everyone present for the meeting was assigned to one of the eight ideas and given 45 days to come up with a proposal, or an action plan.

Currently, ARAMARK is contacting food venues to ask if they want to set up a location in the Smaug. Pizza Hut and Subway responded to the call and may come in to look at the available area in the Smaug. It may be possible to have some fast food places by fall semester.

Two changes happening presently are new furniture in Baldwin Lounge and two sign boards.

Ferden said about \$60,000 of new furniture have been ordered for Baldwin. He said the old furniture would probably be recovered and moved into student lounges in the residence halls.

Another suggestion for Baldwin is to make a hallway in the lounge to decrease the amount of noise.

Sign boards are being ordered to place in two locations in Kryzsko Commons to list events and club meetings. Also, the board will feature a map showing where a person is in the building.

Hardin said some universities have made changes that have flopped, like building a dance club. She said the changes need to be reasonable and feasible.

"We don't want to do something that would waste students' money," Hardin said.

Two big areas being looked at for renovation are the bowling alley and the MTV lounge.

Ferden said he is looking to hiring a designer to give the new union a theme.

According to Hardin, as many improvements will be made as possible.

"Everything we have money and access to do, we'll do," Hardin said.

A summer survey may also be sent out to incoming freshmen for ideas on what they would like to see in a university.

Hardin said the changes are stemming from what student, faculty and staff have expressed interest in.

"It's not just what we want," Hardin said.

A Student Union Board exists, and any student can join to take an active role in the changes that will be happening in the union. Any interested student can contact Hardin at 453-1478 to be a member of the union board.

Wash me



Eric Young/Staff Photographer

Susan Wascoe and Sarah Ehle advertise the athletic training club fundraising car wash on Saturday afternoon that was held in the Lincoln Elementary School parking lot.

Dinner brings cultures together

By Grace Ling
Staff Writer

A limited number of tickets still remain for the annual Winona State University International Dinner.

Sponsored by the International Club, the event is scheduled for Saturday (6 p.m.) in the East Cafeteria of Kryzsko Commons and is supported by the Arabia Club, Muslim Student Association, Christian in Action and the Cultural Diversity of the Student Senate.

The theme for the dinner is "Bringing the World Together." Dr. Jeanette Daines, System Director for International Education and University of Minnesota Collaboration is the keynote speaker. Special guests include Winona Mayor Mr. Jerry Miller and other honorary friends of the International Club.

The full menu consists of exotic cuisine items as well as an American entree of catfish. Along with French garlic bread, Italian Caesar salad and European-style dessert.

The dinner will feature Samusa (meat appetizer) from Bangladesh, Goat Biryani from India, Teriyaki chicken from Japan, roast pork from Malaysia, Chicken Lo Mein from China, Beef Kabob from Middle East and Halim (beef & lentil) from South Asia.

Vegetarian dishes are stir-fry, egg roll and fruit salad. And as usual, there will be entertainment programs to represent different colors and diverse cultural backgrounds on campus.

"We are working very hard, because the dinner has always been a success and people just expect to taste something new and see something unusual each every year," International Club President Mohammad Lashkar said.

"We hope our feast, our songs, dances, musical plays and flag parade not only bring joy to this celebration, but also show our appreciation to the locals that have made Winona our home away from home."

Organizers say the event will surely be a sell-out, but they do plan to keep some seats for the convenience of walk-ins. The few remaining tickets are \$14 for adults, \$8 for children and \$12 at a special student discount. For ticket reservations, please contact Mrs. Mary Thorne 507-457-5303 or Mr. M. A. Gaffar 507-454-6375.

Some senators want new rule for future presidents

By Doug Jazdzewski
Staff Writer

A few members of the Winona State University Student Senate were eager to dismiss their constitution's controversial clause. The clause states that a student must have been at Winona State for at least three semesters and a student senator for at least two semesters.

Kurowski, who drafted much of the constitution, including the clause, felt that "anyone has to be at Winona State for at least one year to know what they need to know to be president."

"I (drafted the constitution) because I feel this is what is best for the students," Kurowski said.

The clause came to the constitution committee two days after Robert Lambert, a first-year student, won the primary elections.

"(The clause) has nothing to do with Rob Lambert," Kurowski said.

Kurowski said the addition to the committee was going to be presented at a meeting before the primaries, but there was not enough voting members to hold a meeting. So the addition was presented at the next available time, two days after the primaries.

WSU Senate President Ryan Kulikowski said the proposed addition was not a new issue. He said it was something Senate had been considering for over a year, but the constitution can only be ratified every two years.

Kulikowski said the addition is necessary because he "(doesn't) believe someone who has not been (at Winona State) for a full year totally understands how the university works."

Lambert, who will take office as the Student Senate President next year, said it is not fair for the Senate to put restrictions on potential candidates.

"I don't think it's the Senate's choice," Lambert said.

He said it should be the voter who decides if the candidate is qualified, not the Senate's.

The proposed changes to next year's constitution are all Senate related, including the freshman senator clause.

Other changes include changes to three committees, including the technology committee, which oversees campus technological needs like the proposed Laptop University; the community affairs committee, which oversees parking lighting and university-community relations and the constitution committee, which will oversee future student and club constitutions.

The new constitution will require senators to serve on two committees instead of just one. It will also give Senate the power to remove any appointed official from his or her respective committee, as well as veto power to the president.

If approved, there will also be six positions added to the Senate. Three committee chairs, a chief of staff and an office manager will be added.

Lambert to take reins of Senate

By Jeff Kocur
Editor-At-Large

Students on this campus need to be more informed about Student Senate affairs and be more involved in the decision making process.

That is just one of the changes that Winona State University Student Senate president-elect Robert Lambert wants to make when he takes the reins on June 1.

First-year student Lambert won the general election with 236 votes against incumbent Ryan Kulikowski's 175 votes. Kulikowski also had fewer votes than write-in Bob Walscheid who had 181 votes.

Lambert took heat from some people for running as a first year student senator, but he challenges them.

"I believe I do have the experience and expertise to do the job, and the students supported me in that," Lambert said.

Lambert does have experience.



"If we (Student Senate) could channel our energy properly, we could get a lot of things done."

-Robert Lambert
Student Senate President-elect

Even though this school year is his first on Student Senate, and in college for that matter, he has been elected to a Student Senate seat, sat on the team's council, the student activity fee, student fee management and constitution committees. Students who cast ballots for president last week were also asked to vote on a constitutional amendment that would prohibit first-year students from running for president.

The ballots are still being counted, and they may have to ask students to vote again because it does not appear that the required 10 percent of the student body voted for it. Two-thirds

of the students who vote must vote for the amendment in order for it to pass. Lambert would not be affected by this decision, but he hopes that it does not pass because it would take voice away from the students.

The voice of the students is what Lambert believes to be the strongest attribute of Student Senate, and he wants students to be informed and involved. Lambert said the administration really listens to students.

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News Briefs

Technology Exchange Series

Winona State University is hosting a Technology Exchange Series in April and May, bringing guest scholars from other universities to explore and share innovative uses of technology in higher education.

A workshop entitled "The Web, A Classroom Sans Walls," will be presented by Dr. Alistair Fraser on Friday (9:30-11 a.m.) in the Performing Arts Recital Hall. Fraser is a professor of meteorology at Penn State University. The workshop is open to all WSU faculty, staff and students.

Pre-registration for the 1998 Fall Semester

The dates for pre-registration are as follows:
Wednesday, May 6
Thursday, May 7

On Friday students may add classes with Closed Class Cards and drop classes in order to accommodate added classes. The Registrar's Office Service Windows will be open from 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Please note that classes can be added on this day only with a Closed Class Card.

International Club Dinner

The Winona State University International Club is holding its annual formal dinner beginning at 6 p.m. on Saturday in the East Cafeteria of Kryzsko Commons. The theme for the dinner is "Bringing the World Together."

Tickets are \$12 for Winona State students, \$14 for adults and \$8 for children under 12. Tickets are available in the Lower Hyphen of Kryzsko Commons. Tickets can also be reserved by calling Mary Thorne in the WSU International Office at 457-5304 or by calling Gaffar, one of the organizers of the event, at 454-6375.

New Writing Club

A new club is starting for all persons of all majors interested in writing. We're not sure what we'd like to call ourselves, but we know we want you to attend. Our first meeting will be held on Monday, May 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the Wenonah Room of the East Cafeteria. Officers will be chosen, and we will discuss what activities we want to do the following year. If you have any questions please contact Drake Hokanson at 457-2405.

WSU English/Math Placement Test Schedule

Tuesday, May 12 2-4 p.m. Howell 135
Monday, June 1 8:30-10:30 a.m. Howell 135
Friday, August 21 8:30-10:30 a.m. Howell 135

All new students must take the English and mathematics placement exams. Exempt are students who have transferred in credit for college-level English and/or mathematics courses.

Admitted students may take the exam at any scheduled time prior to registering for their initial English composition and mathematics courses.

Students must register to take the tests by visiting the Advising and Retention office, Phelps 129, or by calling 457-5600. Students must bring a photo I.D. to the testing sight.

Currently enrolled students who have not taken the placement test should plan to take one of the May tests before semester conversion occurs.

For additional information, call the Advising and Retention Office, 457-5600

Youth Mentor Program

The Y-Friends youth mentor program has volunteer opportunities for caring adults to be matched with area Winona youth for one-on-one friendships. Being a mentor is fun, easy and something that anyone can do. All of you guys out there are especially encouraged to apply. Give just two hours a week to something that will enrich your life and to somebody who simply needs a special friend—a friend like you. Please do not hesitate to call John Drussel with any questions at 454-4345 ext. 16. It's a wonderful feeling to have someone know you care.

Sexual Assault Audit Forum

Winona State University contracted the Women's Resource Center of Winona to conduct an independent sexual assault audit for the University. Results from that audit were distributed to the President's Cabinet, Dean's Council, all constituency group presidents and WSU's Sexual Assault Advisory Council (SAAC) last November.

The Affirmative Action Office has made arrangements with the Women's Resource Center (WRC) for a forum for today at 2:30 p.m. in Stark Auditorium to discuss WRC's recommendations. Should you have any questions regarding this forum, please contact my assistant, Robin Delong, at ext. 5008.

Lyceum Speaker

Dr. Sue Rosser, director of the Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research at the University of Florida-Gainesville, is the final guest speaker in the Winona State University Lyceum Series this year, today at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of WSU's Stark Hall.

Rosser's topic is "Women's Health: Concerns As We Approach the 21st Century." The talk is free and open to the public.

Also a professor of Anthropology at the University of Florida-Gainesville, Rosser is an accomplished scholar and author. She has edited collections and written about 70 journal articles on the theoretical and applied problems of women and science and women's health.

From 1992-1994, Rosser held a National Science Foundation for her project entitled "A USC System Model for Transformation of Science and math Teaching to Reach Women in Varied Campus Settings." In 1993, she was Visiting Distinguished Professor in the University of Wisconsin System's Women in Science project.

From 1986-95, Rosser served as Director Women's Studies at the University of South Carolina, where she was also a professor of Family and Preventive Medicine in the Medical School.

Support for the Lyceum Series comes from Winona State University, The WSU Foundation, the WSU Student Activity Fee Distribution Committee and grants from other sources. Support for Rosser's visit to WSU also comes from the WSU Women's Studies Program. For more information contact Cindy Killion, director of the WSU Women's Studies Program, at 507-457-5460.

On the rise Minnesota population surpasses expectations

Associated Press

ST. PAUL — Minnesota's population has grown considerably faster than expected five years ago, pushing projections of future population higher, state planning officials said Monday.

A report issued by the State Demographic Center predicts Minnesota will reach a population of 5.3 million by 2025, compared with 4.6 million in 1995.

"The numbers are higher than those in our 1993 projections, mainly because the strong economy has attracted more new residents," said Ann Schluter, director of Minnesota Planning. "However, the basic trends are the same:

slower growth, more diversity, and a noticeable aging of the population."

Another change from 1993's estimates is that almost every rural county is growing faster or losing population slower than predicted.

Among the updated report's other estimates for 2025:

-More than half the population will be over age 40.

-Roughly 17 percent of Minnesota's population will be black, Asian, American Indian or Hispanic.

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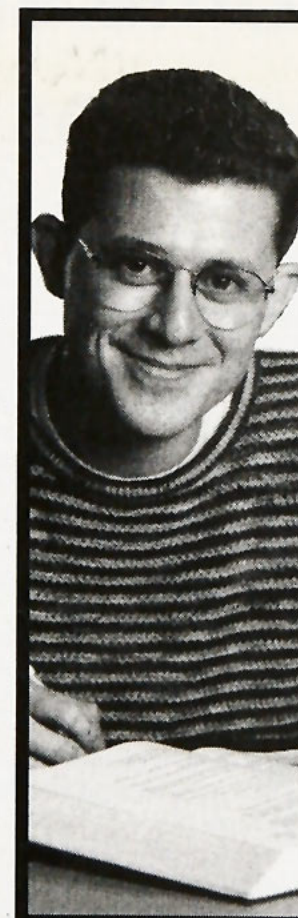
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primary caretaker of the lights. The two juveniles who did much of the damage to the lights also paid \$1,000.

Private individuals also donate \$85 per month to the Sugar Loaf Lighting Foundation in memoriam of lost loved ones.

"Because the donations are for a month at a time we can only serve 12 people a year," Heilman said. "We want to change it so there will be two sponsors a month."

Heilman did not want to make many comments about the protective mea-

sures for the summer from more damage.

"I would rather not discuss what we have done to protect the lights," Heilman said. "They are protected, but I wouldn't say they are vandal proof."

Since the Sugar Loaf Lighting Foundation is supported completely by donations and volunteer help, any and all help is welcome.

Donations should be sent to:
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Lambert

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a lot of things done."

Lambert got involved in Student Senate because he was interested in being involved in the decision-making process.

One thing Lambert does praise is the committee headed by Hilary Hardin involving the renovation of the Smaug.

"I am excited to see what is going on with new food choices to benefit

students," he said.

Politics is something that Lambert would like to carry beyond college. After he receives his Political Science degree from WSU, he would like to go on to law school and open a private law practice. From there he would like to begin working on some of his political aspirations—including a possible a shot at President of the United States.

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Survivor's Vigil held for assault victims

By Kathy Howard
Staff Writer

The eighth annual Survivor's Vigil was held at the Senior Friendship Center on Thursday. The Survivor's Vigil was founded to recognize April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and was sponsored by the Women's Resource Center.

The Vigil allowed people to express and overcome the pain of sexual assault or any type of abuse through many ways. Such events that occurred at the Vigil were lectures by guest speakers who shared their stories of courage, a Red Thread Ceremony in

which anyone who has been victim of assault may tie a red thread around their wrist to remember, and an open microphone available to anyone else who just wanted to share thoughts.

Also included in the night was music and poetry readings.

"We always hope to accomplish a time to remember those who have been assaulted to heal," Kim Price, one of this year's Vigil coordinators, said.

If anyone would like to talk with someone about any sort of abuse or would like more information, he or she may contact Kim Price or the Women's Resource Center at 453-4440.

The Car displays message, talent

By Agnes Ong
Staff Writer

It was about a time when America still recalled its conscious duty to God and country.

A time when it still felt strongly about racial issues.

A time when anything not produced or manufactured in America was inferior.

A time when any slant-eyed person was regarded as the enemy.

The Car opened in the Winona State University Performing Arts Center Thursday, to a standing ovation and ended on Monday.

The cast's performance was marvelously crafted as they conveyed the changing times and trends of this past century to the audience.

Directed by Professor David Bratt, the play was about the Banner family trying to cope with the external global change and how these changes affected them as a family.

The family car was the main focus as Ed Banner, played by Jeremy Kilkus, remarked in the play, "Think of it as homebase."

The car was a 1954 Hudson which saw the family through its ups and downs. The car drove the Banner family through wars and peace, family relationships and acceptance.

According to Professor Bratt, the cast had to make sure that the imaginary doorknobs on the car were the same height. That was one of the challenging parts of the play.

The story was about the son, Hal Banner (played by Joshua Mikel

Braaten) bringing home a Japanese wife. His father, Ed Banner, had to adjust to the fact that Hal had a "... Jap wife and a slant-eyed kid."

The integration of Sumiko, the Japanese wife, into the family was eased considerably by her mother-in-law, Geneva Banner.

"Our director wanted to focus on racial issues, the merging of the culture," Jessica Andrews, who played Geneva Banner, said. "The relationship between father and son was good and intense. It is about family and how it adapts."

Andrews went on to conclude, "I like my character. She always wants to fix things. She's sort of a peacemaker."

The play had an interesting introduction. It tried to include the audience in the play, and the setting was in the

"All-American" garage.

"(The) garage was done because there was much emphasis on the car," set designer Win Lewis explained. "The play made a lot of references to a decade of oil and dirt floor. It talked about people and family. In a garage, you see a display of the family's history hanging on the wall. It drives home the importance of family and home."

Audience members were more than pleased with the production.

"It was really good," enthused Becky Rahn, a sophomore in secondary education. She and Susan Pearson attended the opening night's performance.

"I thought it was more of family relationship," Pearson said. "All the performers did an excellent job."

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What goes up must come down

Language inflation used by educators, media disturbs standard of excellence

Since the time before man roamed and ruled the Earth, competition has been a key element in both animal and human survival. Dinosaurs hunted each other for food and sport; early territories warred to acquire more goods and more land; and early entrepreneurs sensationalized "miracle" elixirs to gain more customers and more profit. Because competition is an inherent and instinctual drive in the majority of human beings today, it has emerged to play a major factor in the battles of top nations to surpass one another in regards to political, economic and commercial pursuits.

Lauren Osborne
News Editor

In the recent past, the United States has been caught up in another battle of sorts — a battle brains. Older generations are in a frenzy to educate the youth by any and all means available, particularly through systems of higher education and the mass media. Within these systems, authorities have relied heavily on, among myriad other things, language inflation to propel our nation past others.

As we approach the 21st century, the initial intent to become the single most educated and advanced nation has been destroyed by a force within this nation and within the individual states not only to be better than the rest, but to be the *best* of the rest. This new goal has eliminated the seemingly ancient hierarchy of standards — poor, fair, average, good, above average and excellent — and caused everything to be carelessly packaged into a less than attractive deal now entitled "average."

This is evidenced most clearly in schools across the United States. In schools where almost every student's work is labeled "excellent" in some area — whether it be in writing, music, behavior or critical thinking skills — there are longer present those genuine classes reserved solely for well-rounded, talented, gifted students, especially in high schools. Without warrant, I believe instructors are not only hesitant, but fearful of possibly offending students by attaching a word such as "good" (heaven forbid!) to a piece of their work, no matter how deserving. In regard to instant gratification, I could see how receiving such verbal praise would act as incentive and be beneficial to a students' self-esteem. But, as a student, I would think it more detrimental to be cheated out of constructive criticism that could in turn help one actually earn that praise.

Many school districts have established Advanced Placement, "intensive" and "honors" courses for those students who need or want a challenge. In these types of courses, a students can receive more accurate and genuine feedback about their abilities, but I think the fear of disappointing and disheartening students is still apparent and quite rampant. I honestly see no reason, especially in advanced classes, why students should be shielded from the truth even though it is recognized to hold innately powerful effects. High-school- and college-aged students should be old enough to accept and expect criticism — and even occasional rejection — and should be mature enough to want and look for it.

If and when high school teachers keep their students ignorant of their true abilities, whether exceptional or poor, they are only building them up for the inevitable disappointment and shock they will soon encounter in college and beyond.

This is exactly why many high school students fret after receiving their first A- or a B+ on a paper or report card or after getting a mere "good" scrawled across an essay assignment instead of an A+ or an "outstanding!" True excellence has become the average; it has become expected.

When our parents and grandparents were in high school and college, receiving an A meant more. Even though the course material was typically less difficult than it is now because of significant advancements in such areas as mathematics and science, few could attest to having a permanent place on the honor roll or dean's list or of having straight As. Bs, now often looked down upon, were cherished.

Because of today's language inflation, our "outstanding" student is probably the equivalent of our parents' "average" or "good" student. As are more freely dispensed. A place on the honor roll is expected and not nearly as meaningful as it once was and should be.

This language inflation has also affected the mass media, specifically within the focuses of advertising and journalism. Televisions and radios both blast messages about products being the most efficient, the healthiest, the fastest, the strongest, the most delicious and least expensive. When a consumer goes on a presumably simple trip to the grocery store to purchase a few items, he could spend hours in the aisles just reading the labels alone! All boast of being the best; how is one supposed to distinguish one from the other?

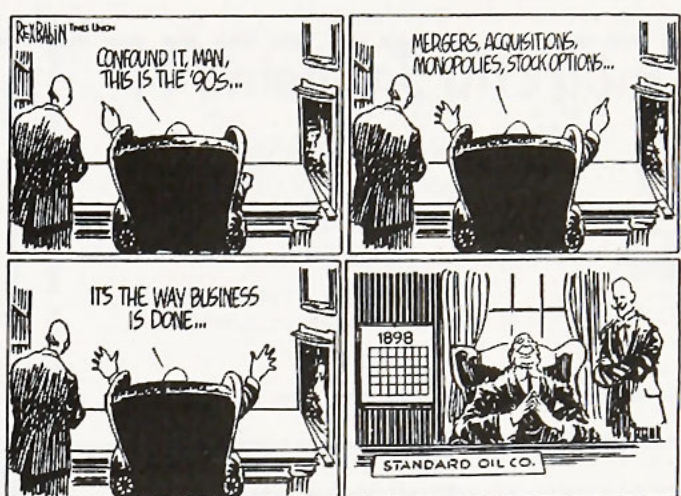
The competition among businesses today caused this sudden and often unmerited upgrade in quality. If one brand of chewing gum boasts of great flavor, the next will attest to having a fabulous flavor. Most likely, the flavors are of equal quality, but today "great" doesn't sell on the shelves.

Journalists reporting the news in print media also rely on language inflation to convey certain opinions about people and situations, especially in regard to politics. President Bill Clinton is not reporter as being a "good leader" for a stance he might've taken on an issue; he is "exceptional," a real hero ... a true saint. As a result, almost everyone in the news is considered a hero of sorts. The boy who rescued a cat from a tree is placed on the same pedestal as the war hero who risked his life for the glory and good of his country and fellow citizens.

This standard of what is regarded as excellent and what is regarded as average are no longer a separate entity in contemporary American culture. We will continue in our upward plight to strive to be and have the absolute best until we have exhausted all of our efforts and concern. Remember, what goes up must come down.



"AS PART OF THE AGREEMENT WITH CONGRESS, WE'RE INTRODUCING A NEW AD MASCOT."



Letters to the Editor

Sigrist needs to be careful, shouldn't misrepresent religious athletes

Dear Editor,

Whatever Mike Sigrist's religious convictions might be, he should not misrepresent other people's beliefs. In last week's column, "The bottom line," Sigrist made many inaccurate, sarcastic statements about religious beliefs of athletes.

First, Sigrist ridiculed Reggie White for talking to God. White is not suggesting that God came down from heaven as an apparition in flowing robes to give a free career consultation. Though meditation and prayers to God, Jesus, Allah, The Great Spirit (or whatever one chooses to call the Higher Power), people can come to realize what God wants for them. White is not hiding behind God. He is simply allowing God to guide his life.

As for Sigrist's question, "Does the man ever do things He wants?" The answer is yes. Truly religious people want to do what God wants.

Sigrist also misrepresented people who say they owe their athletic victory to God. Sarcastically referring to God, Sigrist said that he "has yet to see Him tying up his cleats and running onto the field." Instead of ridiculing religion that he may not understand, Sigrist should have asked questions instead of jumping to conclusions. Religious athletes know God isn't some sports judge and jury who makes sure His favorite team wins.

As it is, these athletes are thanking God for the gifts He has bestowed upon them that allowed them to succeed. These blessings include the perseverance to practice, intelligence in the game, a healthy body, etc.

Also, I don't know a single devout athlete of any religion who blames God for a game loss, as Sigrist suggested in his column.

Mike, if you are sick of athletes who are grateful for blessings from God and allow God to guide their lives, you are entitled to your opinion. Just please don't misrepresent the attitudes and beliefs of the religious athletes with whom you are annoyed. I am one of those athletes, and I, for one, am offended.

Kristin Linzmeier

Mass Communication—Advertising
Senior

WSU political candidates gone too far?

Dear Editor,

It has been three years now that I have been a resident of the Winona State community. I have also been a resident of the city of Milwaukee for 21 years. Within a city or a community for that matter, certain laws apply to different kinds of pollution. Litter, smog, noise and sight pollution are a few that are on

Milwaukee's list.

Today I would like to talk about sight pollution. Sight pollution is defined as an eyesore within a community. Some examples of sight pollution are a billboard in a non-commercial area, a building that is out of place with all the others, and flyers and posters on trees and telephone poles that are unwanted.

The reason for this article is to address the growing concern of sight pollution around the Winona State community. If you don't know what I am talking about, then you must be blind because you cannot walk one foot without seeing one of the Student Senate campaign posters cluttering our campus.

At first it was just whenever one candidate put one up the other followed suit right next to it. But then I saw a Pasteur Hall bulletin board that had six posters for each candidate. SIX POSTERS! Seriously, save the trees, man, I get your point with one poster. This problem grew around campus rapidly.

But on April 27th, one day before the big election (thank God), the campaigning went too far. As I drove to class that Monday, the first thing I saw was "VOTE ROB" in the windows of Sheehan Hall. What is the point of telling all of Winona who is running for Student Senate? And of course Mr. Kulikowski had to retaliate by putting lawn signs all over the courtyard on campus like he was running for public office. May I remind you that the signs were not there at 8 a.m. but appeared magically by 9 a.m.

My fellow students, if we have rules about public officials campaigning on campus and in our residence halls, as well as posting policies in our halls and campus buildings, should we not support then some kind of policy against the over campaigning of Student Senate candidates! It is springtime, and campus looks beautiful! Let's put an end to this sight pollution and pray that when we play frisbee in the courtyard that we do not trip and get a wooden stake through our hearts courtesy of our Student Senate presidential candidates.

Troy Heinritz
Mass Communications—Broadcasting
Junior

Is there too much administrative power?

Dear Editor,

On Tuesday, March 28, seven computers were removed from a packed computer lab, two rows in the back of Somsen 207. When I asked why they were gone, I was told they were being borrowed for administrative use. I guess an administration department needed more computers to train on. As of Friday, the machines have not been returned. Could the English Department "borrow" seven lab machines to train on? Probably not. Students pay computer fees for the labs. Administration does not. This seems like an abuse of administrative power.

Henry Gadel
Social Work

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Don't let yourself be left a decade behind the rest of the world

Tibetan Tea



T.J. Lettner
Columnist

Don't stop me if you think you've heard this one. It just might be a little different this time around.

Mamma Tomato, Papa Tomato, and Baby Retro Tomato were walking downtown one day. Mamma Tomato and Papa Tomato were kind of in a hurry, as they were on their way to First Avenue to try to score tickets to a Korn show, but Baby Retro Tomato kept lagging behind.

First, Baby Retro had to stop at an "Eighties Only" clothing store to check out all the cool T-shirts advertising popular '80s TV shows like "The Facts of Life" and others advertising the old "Mr. Bubble" logo.

Baby Retro just loved the way the collars and sleeves were laced with a ring of red, he knew they would match the friendship bracelet he just found on the sidewalk.

"If anything will capture the true spirit of the '80s," he thought, "surely these awesome shirts will!"

Unfortunately, Baby Retro found to his dismay that the price of the shirts had drastically risen since good ol' 1985. He dug deep into his favorite Guess Jeans, but found nothing but a pack of "Garbage Pail Kids," silly putty and some friendship pins, the ones with the cute little beads attached to them.

"Oh well," he muttered, "at least I can use the safety pins to tighten my pants."

His parents waited impatiently as he carefully folded the bottom of his pants over, just enough to cut off the circulation of blood but not quite enough to cut off his feet, and pinned the jeans shut.

"There, now I'm cool."

Papa Tomato started growing red.

"Hey, hurry up Baby Retro. I'm getting tired of waiting. Your mother and I are in a hurry to get juiced up here!"

They moved on through the gently approaching evening, watching as the sky painted itself orange, and the crisp spring air started pulling goose bumps from Mamma and Papa Tomatoes' skin.

Baby Retro wasn't cold, though. He had on a bitchin' jean jacket that he found at a garage sale. He noticed a sign above a theater advertising an all night "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" marathon. Nothing but Ferris," over and over again Ferris, Ferris, Ferris. "Rad," he thought, "totally rad."

Mamma Tomato was getting frustrated at this point. "Hurry up, B.R., or your ass will be canned!"

They continued on, in more and more of a hurry as the night freaks started coming out. They just wanted to get to First Avenue, but again, that little bastard Baby Retro was lagging behind.

He was trying to cross the street to get to the Target Center, where the Culture Club was making a one-night-only Minneapolis appearance for their long anticipated reunion tour. Papa Tomato became sick to his stomach.

With a rage burning hotter and hotter with every step, he marched down the sidewalk towards the place where Baby Retro sat dreaming of the eye shadow and blush that make up Boy George, dancing and prancing on stage like a true American Queen.

You know the punch-line here. Papa stomps on lil' Baby's head and yells "Catch Up!" Catsup. Get it?

Why are so many people so infatuated with '80s Retro? I'm tired of people wearing the clothes, watching the movies and most importantly, listening to the music all over again.

It's one thing to appreciate some of the aspects of a decade and remember them even though they are gone. But to take in every little thing, living again as if Reagan were still in office? Come on!

It keeps happening over and over again, too. People complain about the

decade they live in, and long to return again to the days gone by.

In the '80s, everyone was remembering how cool the '70s were, and how great it would be to return to them. And guess what happened in the '70s? The kids hated them too. All they wanted was to return again to the times of free love, acid and hippies that we now refer to as the '60s.

Why can't everyone just try to live with the decade in which they live? The problem is, that people look at everything around them and come to the conclusion that it pretty much sucks.

Politics, school, parents, money, movies, music. They think that since life is *soooo* tough for them in 1998, it must be a product of the time that they live in, rather than a product of their own pathetic existence. They don't want to blame themselves for the crappy state of the world around them, they would rather blame a whole decade.

But look at the last decade, everyone made it through that one OK. It must have been pretty cool; there were some good songs, a few good movies, and the prices were lower. If only they could return to 1985, they would be happy.

So they try. They buy the clothes, listen to the music and essentially try to capture the lifestyle of the decade gone by. They try to grasp on to what they thought was so great about the past, and hold on to comfortable tradition in a rapid changing world of technology.

Don't be left in the past, too stubborn to accept a new life, or too nostalgic to let go of an old one. We need to continue to move forward.

Announcing a special contest!! I want to bring you into my last column of the year. All you have to do is E-mail me at Tlettner0005 with your plans for the summer. I will take the one that I think sounds the most fun or interesting and include it in next week's "Tibetan Tea." The winner will receive the virtues of seeing his or her name in print. The deadline is Friday, so drop this paper that you're holding, hurry to a computer, and send me your summer plans!

I need a moment . . .



Lisa
Hendrickson
Columnist

Well, here we go. There are two issues left of the *Winonan* and I couldn't think of a good way to end the year. Until I thought, hey, what did I do this year? I did tons of things and so did you.

A few years ago, I went on a road trip with my soul sister Tarin to Vancouver. During this trip we got so bored with the driving that we started writing down everything that happened to us the previous year, and I kept that list so I could look back and remember. Sometimes our lives can get so busy that we forget these moments; the good, the bad, the ugly.

I started my list for this past year, and boy oh boy, did I have a great year. Last fall I worked at a liquor store downtown, and let me tell you, working at a liquor store definitely has its benefits. During freshman orientation I was invited to every party. Did I ever pay for a glass? Hell no. Fortunately for me, I had to quit. I had a little problem with the Winona Police. Some say they heard I got fired. I say I quit. It doesn't matter now, I'm done there.

I took the big step this year and cut off 12 inches of my hair. If you ever have the desire to cut off that much hair at one time — go for it — it grows back.

I didn't drive my truck from April '97 until November '97. I was arrested last spring for a DWI. If you get a DWI, don't think your life is over. I moved on, you can too. Luckily I didn't have to do any hard time, but riding my bike for seven months was a good enough sentence. If you see a big ugly '70s truck parked at Midtown or in the back of Hardee's, you know I was too drunk to drive home. I'm safety girl now. No more DWIs for Lisa.

As for school, I am doing way better than I did last year. My theory on this is: I am a junior now, and the classes just keep getting easier. It's

all the general education courses that made my G.P.A. go down. Now that I'm in my major courses, I get all As and Bs. Gen Eds should be eliminated.

There is one thing I enjoyed about the Gen Eds though, it's the variety of classes I took. I took Intro to Art this winter quarter, and I learned so much. I highly recommend taking this class. Another class I'm really having fun with is Visual Communications. I've taken pictures, developed, printed and mounted them. And, if you do take Vis Com, don't go out and buy all the stuff they tell you to. I haven't bought one thing except the film and paper. Everything else is provided.

Another thing I have learned since I've transferred here is to wait to buy books until absolutely necessary. Usually I can find someone who took the class and they either have the book, or recommend not buying the book at all. This quarter I only bought one book, dirt cheap. The rest I borrowed.

I added on to my tattoo collection and went out to Tiger Lily and got inked. It's only a \$50 job, but it's my name in Malaysian on my chest. Tip for those getting tattooed: make sure you get one that no one else will have. If possible, design it yourself.

Just remember these thoughts: When you think you're going through a really terrible time of your life, just think of how your life was six months ago, or even a year. Those problems all disappeared somehow, and these troubles you're going through now will be gone in a year as well.

Now, to finish off the year, I have decided to dedicate the rest of this column and next week's to honorable mentions.

Honorable mentions of the year go to:

My roommates Liz Haywood, Cecily Jennings and Teri Dicus who had to put up with me singing to the Bloodhound Gang in the shower everyday.

Tracy, Brad and Stephanie at Third St. Liquor who listened to me bitch continually and surprisingly still talk to me.

Dorothy (maintenance for the

Smaug), Bernie (Smaug's favorite cashier)

Jerry, Butch and Phyllis (maintenance at Somsen). These WSU employees deserve a round of applause for being the coolest people to see everyday.

Pyro Pat, Scottie T., and Hank Johnson for suffering through our slots at KQAL.

Nikki Nowinski and Taryn Pellegrini who finally turn 21 this month, it's about freaking time girls!

Matt Kuehl, who for some unknown phenomena, has been nice to me lately. Don't worry, I still think you're an a-hole.

Missy Meline who has become my hometown savior. She's the coolest person I could possibly know from back home that I met here at College.

Dave Adams and Lawrence Lyman who wrote for the *Winonan* this year and have become my column "confidants."

Jen Dirks, for being the only person who actually pays me back cigarettes.

Thanks to the entire staff at Gabby's for knowing how to treat their regulars, having a jukebox and Wednesday's night spin the wheel.

The boys in 2C above Bullseye, who I finally recognize after partying with them countless evenings thanks to Trusty.

Ali Omar, my cool boss who everyday thanks me for working for him.

Nate Sagan who is forever my Sucka.

A huge thanks to everyone whose couches I have "taken naps on."

Professor Mark Norman and Professor Helen Dachelet who thankfully understand me and my useless anecdotes in class.

Everybody that works in the Financial Aid office I must thank, considering that I'm in there every other week dealing with a new financial crisis.

John Connelly who has become my "Shadow."

Finally, I'd like to Honorably mention President Krueger for taking out time in his hectic day to read my column and the *Winonan*.

To be continued . . .

Campus Forum

Photos by Todd Martin
Photo Editor

What do you think about 1st-year student senators running for Winona State Student Senate?

The proposed amendment to the Student Senate Constitution to require that future student senate presidents hold a senate seat for at least two semesters and be have completed at least three semesters of class is one that is fair and very sensible, but controversial.

How much the decision was influenced by this year's election cannot be determined, but the timing of the decision could have been better. This year, not only was one of the candidates a first year student senator, but he was also a first-year student. The proposed amendment was brought to the constitution committee two days after first-year student Robert Lambert won the primary election.

Incidentally, Lambert beat the incumbent Ryan Kulikowski in the election. I am not qualified to judge either one of the candidates' character, competence or integrity, so keep in mind what is said is in no way a reflection of any one person.

It is perfectly acceptable for the student senate to alter their constitution if it is done in a fair and arbitrary way. Requiring a candidate to meet specific requirements is done by the United States Constitution, so why can't the Winona State University Student Association Constitution require that certain requirements be met.

The U.S. Constitution does not require a president to hold any public office prior to being elected president, but it does require that candidates be at least 35 years old.

I would imagine it does this because, theoretically, after the age of 35 people have a greater understanding of how the world works and they are more mature. The WSU Student Constitution is going to require that future candidates have held a student senate seat for a full year for similar reasons.

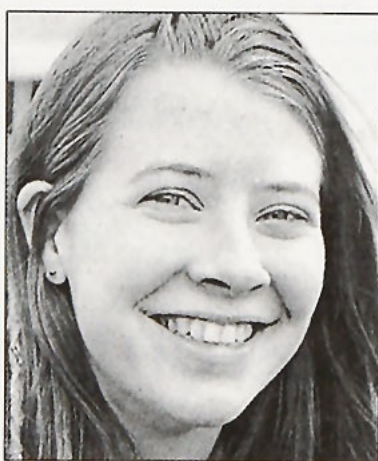
Student who have been on senate longer have a greater understanding of how to work around the beauracracies of student senate, MnSCU, MSUSA, IFO and local administration.

It also prevents first-year students from running for president. This may not seem fair to some students, but speaking from experience, traditional students mature a lot between their first and second years of college.

Students who want to run for Student Senate president will have other chances—all they have to do is wait.

Again, I am confident that Robert Lambert will be proficient leader of the student body and this column is no reflection on him, but I believe future candidates should have a little more experience under their belts.

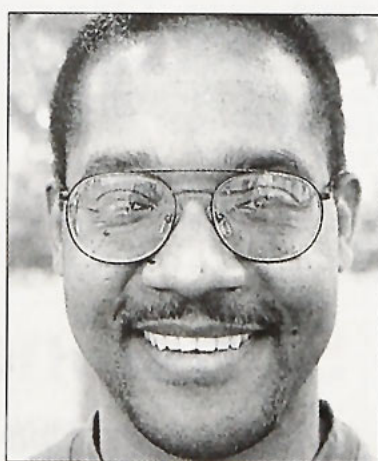
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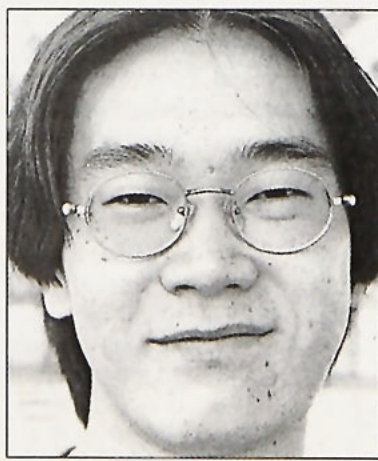
Stephanie Driscoll
post-secondary sophomore
environmental science/
psychology
If the voters think the candidate is qualified and like their ideas, then put them in office.



Evaline Kihara
freshman/nursing
I don't see a problem. It doesn't matter if he's been there one year or five.



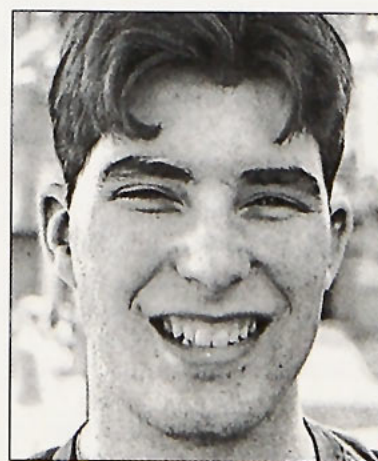
Othelmo da Silva
junior/middle school science
They should acquire more experience. At least two years experience is necessary.



Scao Chang
freshman/undecided
Within such a short time, they cannot have the experience to be able to serve the students well.



Michelle Caponigro
freshman/voice performance
I have no problem with it as long as they are qualified, and they are aware of the responsibilities that come with the position.



Brent Reinhart
junior/computer science
I don't see any problems with it.



Noel Wijesinha
senior/management
information systems
If they are concerned about the students, then it doesn't matter.



Amy Cook & Lisa Schnackenberg
senior & junior/paralegal
They don't have enough experience to form opinions on campus issues.

Music Review



Steve Santek
Music Critic

Dave Matthews Band:
Before These Crowded Streets
Before These Crowded Streets is another strong showing from the Dave Matthews Band. This album features guest artists who include Alanis Morissette, Tim Reynolds and the jazz group Bela Fleck.

The best tracks off the album include the first single "Don't Drink the Water," featuring Alanis Morissette on back-up vocals. This song is excellent and one of my favorite DMB songs ever.

Other good tracks are "Halloween," "Pig" and "Crush," the latter being over eight minutes long.

All in all, this is a good album with 11 rock-solid tracks that prove that the Dave Matthews Band will always put out great albums. If you liked the Dave Matthews Band in the past, you will

Dave Matthews Band:

Before These Crowded Streets

★★★★

Public Enemy:

He Got Game

★★★★

WC:

The Shadiest One

★★★

(out of five stars)

definitely want to purchase this album.

Public Enemy
He Got Game

Since their last album, *Muse Sick-N-Hour Mess Age*, Public Enemy has been virtually invisible. but after the release of this album/soundtrack, be prepared for them to be back on track entering the next century.

This album, *He Got Game*, sounds a lot like the Public Enemy of the late '80s and early '90s. A lot of people were very disappointed

with their last album because it sounded like they were trying to go more mainstream, but this album proves that Public Enemy is back on track and ready to sell albums.

This album, which is also the soundtrack for the Spike Lee joint *He Got Game*, is very good and features the lyrical prowess of Chuck D backed up by the famous clock-wearing Flava Flav and the great deejaying of the one and only Terminator X.

The best track off the album is the title track, which is also the background

for the previews of Lee's movie. It has a great beat and excellent vocals by Chuck D, and I think this track proves that Public Enemy still has what it takes to create great albums.

"Shake Your Booty" is another good track that features Flava's high pitch and is more of a dance song than the rest of the songs on the album. Some of the tracks near the end of the album are a little bit too preachy for me, but the beginning of the album is enough to make me want to buy it.

For the most part, this album is old-

school Public Enemy, and if you liked them in the past, go out and get this record.

WC
The Shadiest One

This is the third member of the WestSide Connection to put out a solo album. This album is at least as good as the other members' releases. This record features the other members of WestSide Connection, Mack 10 and Ice Cube. It also features Too \$hort, E-40, Daz Dillanger from the Dogg Pound and Ron Banks from the Dramatics.

The first single off the album is "Cheddar," featuring Mack 10 and Ice Cube and is by far the best. Other good tracks are "Just Clownin'" and "Keep Hustlin,'" featuring E-40 and Too \$hort.

This album sounds very similar to the WestSide Connection release and also very similar to the most recent Mack 10 and Ice Cube albums.

If you like WestSide Connection and Mack 10's latest release, then I can guarantee that you will love this album. If you are not a big fan of the WestSide Connection and Ice Cube, then this album is not for you.

Family held on \$50,000 bail for abuse of disabled

Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Police have accused a family that housed a mentally disabled woman and her daughters of holding two of the women captive for their disability checks, severely beating them and leaving them chained to a box spring for days without food.

The mother, Melinda Vinson, was missing Sunday. Police say John Dennee, 47, and his family — knowing they were under investigation put the woman and her similarly disabled daughter on a bus bound for Florida.

Beverly Vinson, 24, was found Friday at the Syracuse bus station and taken to a hospital for examination of bruises, contusions and rope marks on her arms and legs, state police said.

"They were made to stand in a corner for a whole day, and, if they couldn't stand, were forced to kneel with their hands tied behind them," investigator John Wood said. "They weren't allowed to go to the bathroom. They had to go to the bathroom on the floor and were beaten with canes when they did that, beaten in the head to the point where it caused lacerations and drew blood."

Officers arrested Dennee, his 44-year-old wife Kathleen and their 26-year-old daughter Janet on Friday. They were charged with unlawful imprisonment and were being held in lieu of \$50,000 bail each.

Melinda Vinson and her three mentally disabled daughters moved to Lewis County from Florida with the Dennees in 1988. Police said they were not sure what connection the two families had.

The group lived mainly off Social Security checks that Vinson and her daughter Beverly received for their disabilities. The two other daughters, who did not receive checks, moved out around 1993 and are living nearby under managed care.

State police say the Dennee family beat Vinson, 52, and Beverly with metal canes, belts and rubber hoses. They were also chained to a box spring and left for up to three days without food.

Investigator Craig Brennan said the abuse escalated in December, when the victims began to act defiantly.

On Wednesday, an anonymous tip sent state troopers and social workers to the Dennee home in Greig, about 60 miles northeast of Syracuse.

The authorities were not allowed in and were told the women had gone fishing. Police returned the next day with a search warrant and discovered the women had been placed on a bus for a one-way trip to Jacksonville, Fla.

"They wanted to get them out of there," Wood said. "Obviously, they didn't want us talking to them because they've been abused."

Police were searching for Melinda Vinson, but she may be difficult to find.

"She was told by the Dennees that the police were coming to get her to put her in prison, so she's probably not going to go up to a police officer and ask for help," Wood said.

Book Review



Laura Burns
Book Critic

I learned one very valuable lesson this past week by reading this novel. I now agree with the advice to "never choose a book by its cover." I purchased this novel a couple of years ago at Canterbury Book Store in Madison. I can honestly say that the one thing that attracted me to it was its cover, but then I opened it (after I purchased it, of course) and it was a load of crap.

When I first picked up *Blackburn*, I thought, "I'm really going to love this book." By reading the back cover I thought it would be a thriller with a plot that twists and turns with every turn of the page. But I was wrong.

I can truly say that I did not enjoy this book. Don't get me wrong; I love thrillers — books with a good plot. That is the keyword here — plot. This book lacked one.

If you look at the contents of this book, you see that this book very sporadically skips around from event

to event. It starts out with Victim No. 2, Blackburn and the Blind Man, Victim No. 4, Blackburn Flies a Kite, etc.

The book opens up with Jimmy Blackburn killing a man. He had seen the man beating his wife, and Blackburn figured that this man needed to be shot because of what he was doing. So Blackburn went and shot him. When the wife continued to cry after the man was dead, he had no clue why she was still crying.

Chapter One told a story of Blackburn when he was a little boy. His father and mother were constantly fighting, and his little sister Jasmine was constantly crying. In this chapter, Jimmy found out the bitter truth when he found that Jesus cannot directly talk to people. In the end of the chapter, he hurts the blind evangelist who told him that Jesus can indeed talk to people.

After reading 296 pages about a murderer and his best friend, a .357 Colt Python, I can honestly tell you that I wasted very valuable time. But hey, if you want to spend time and money reading about senseless murders go right ahead. Just don't say I never warned you.

Blackburn: a Novel

• Written by Bradley Denton

Picador Books

Movie Review



Randi McLaughlin
Movie Critic

The Object of My Affection

(1998), Rated R
•Director: Nicholas Hytner
•Starring: Jennifer Aniston, Paul Rudd, Alan Alda

The Object of My Affection is a sad tale about being in love with someone you can't have. The storyline reminded me of Kevin Smith's latest movie, *Chasing Amy*. Except this time the guy was gay, and he didn't all of a sudden become straight.

Aniston plays Nina, who falls deeply in love with her gay roommate, George, played by Rudd. Nina, however, accidentally becomes pregnant by her boyfriend Vince. Realizing that she can't stand Vince, Nina asks George to become the "pseudo" father/husband.

Vince walks in on this conversation and leaves infuriated, vowing to stay out of Nina's life forever. So Nina is left with George, only to grow more and more attached to him each day.

Problems arise when George

becomes infatuated with a young actor. They secretly hide their relationship from Nina, who, upon finding out, is enormously hurt. She seems to have forgotten the fact George is gay.

In the end, Nina must decide what is right for her and her baby, even if it means leaving George.

Aniston is adorable as always, however it seems she is always typecast as the funny, over-dramatic, hopelessly romantic character. Probably because this describes her character "Rachel" on the comedy *Friends*. I hope she gets a chance to broaden her horizons, because I think she is a genuinely good actress.

Another wonderful addition was Alda, who plays Nina's wacky brother-in-law. His hilarious character resembled the one he played in *Flirting With Disaster*, starring Ben Stiller and Patricia Arquette.

I also liked that George and Nina didn't ever get together romantically, because it would have been too unbelievable like it was in *Chasing Amy*.

On the other hand, Nina and George seemed way too "cuddly" and comfortable with each other physically to just be friends.

Overall, this movie was entertaining with a mediocre storyline. It definitely evokes some feelings from the audience, which makes you come away with an overall nice feeling about the movie.

LIFE, IN A NUTSHELL



Ariel Blaha
Columnist

I have to admit, I got into my share of trouble as I was growing up. I was young and stupid. I thought I had the worst life because I had an early curfew, or because I couldn't go out with a boy until I was 16. I look back on it now and realize how unimportant and trivial the things I thought were important really are.

I broke my parents' rules and then thought it was so unfair when I was punished. I think I was grounded for 80 percent of my freshman and sophomore years. I became a wee bit wiser my junior year — I either quit doing what was getting me in trouble, or I found a way not to get caught — usually the latter.

Of course, it was never anything too serious. I would come home 10 minutes late or not do my chores on time. Although I did my share of stupid, irresponsible things. I'd tell my parents I'm staying at your house, and you tell your parents you're staying at mine ... sound familiar? When I tried it, I got caught.

I swear I was grounded forever. My parents took away all my privileges — TV, phone, driving, sports, seeing my friends and boyfriend, basically not having any outside contact with the world. I went to school and came straight home. All privileges were gone for a month. Each week after that I got to pick one that I wanted back until I had them all.

At this point, I thought my parents were completely evil. When I look back on it, I realize what my parents

were trying to prove and that I deserved the punishment. I realized this not only with this incident, but with everything else they enforced upon me. They were only trying to make me into the great person that I am today (sarcasm noted).

They wanted me to grow up to be independent and self-reliant, to be morally stable, to respect myself and others, to be confident and strong and to follow my heart.

I haven't lived with my parents for almost four years. In this time, I've come to appreciate them much more than I ever thought I would. I guess you could call it some kind of maturity epiphany. I finally understand the reasoning for their actions. And I realize that I have taken a lot of things for granted. I am really lucky to have both parents, together and still in love, who love me. I took for granted all the things my parents sacrificed to give me what I needed and wanted. Sometimes I still take for granted that I have them.

Some of my friends aren't as fortunate as I am — to have two parents, not to mention all four grandparents. I don't think I tell them all enough how much I appreciate and love them.

All seriousness aside, an apology to all my regular readers for not being my usual, insulting, sarcastic self. I'll be back next week. *Occasionally*, I have a serious thought and thought I'd seize the moment.

Maybe it's the approach of graduation, the end of another stage in my life, that's provoking this. Or maybe it's the fact that this weekend is Mother's Day, and I don't have 10 cents to get my mom a gift. So this is my Mother's Day present to you Mom ... a public acknowledgment of my appreciation and love to you and Dad. Now everyone knows what a sucker I can be. Happy Mother's Day.

Sunshine, strength, serenity

Winona State University class celebrates Older Adult's Month

Story contributed by Health & Human Performance programming class

Fore! Golf balls will be flying on Monday as students and older adults tee off at the Winona Senior Friendship Center.

The Winona State University Department of Health and Human Performance's programming class is sponsoring "Sunshine, Strength and Serenity" to celebrate Older Adults Month on Monday and Tuesday.

Students have organized this two-day event to introduce yoga, golf, strength training and conscience breathing to members of the Senior Friendship Center.

Francie Ricks of the Winona Yoga Center will lead the first session on Monday 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Yoga is the joining together of

body, mind and spirit. Many common health problems including back and neck pain, poor digestion,

tension and fatigue are relieved. Yoga is becoming more popular in the Winona community as the Yoga Center draws more adults who wish to increase flexibility and experience the over-all health benefits of hatha yoga.

Later that day Steven Juare and WSU students will be giving an introductory golf lesson. You may see wiffle balls flying near the Post Office from 1-2 p.m.

On Tuesday, members of the programming class will lead seniors in a strength training session from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Research indicates that strengthening arms, shoulders, legs and the back supports functional mobility and decreases frailty.

The students will introduce fun, simple ways to make lightweights that are easy to use. The seniors will also have the opportunity to experi-

ence hand massage and reflexology courtesy of several class members.

From 12:30-1:30 p.m., Steve and Suzanne Kilkus, faculty members of the Nursing Department will introduce "Breathing for the Rest of Your Life." Most of us do not know how to breathe properly for health and relaxation. The Kilkus's will demonstrate how to get the most out of the 23,000 breaths that we take every day. They also teach the Holistic Healing class on campus, offered by the Nursing Department.

Seniors and students will join together later on Tuesday (1:30 p.m.) for Pie in the Park. Pie and ice cream donated by Winona merchants will give the class members, the seniors and members of the Winona Senior Friendship staff a chance to celebrate the program's accomplishments.

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The Bottom Line

Michael Sigrist
Sports Editor

We hear it everyday don't we? Aren't we constantly bombarded by cries that today's professional sports are losing their importance?

That sports today don't mean anything? That athletics have become too much of a business?

Athletics today, as we're being led to believe, are not so much about the fans as much as they are about the corporate sponsors.

Few can argue the fact that money is putting a new, never-seen before spin on sports.

Aren't we consistently being fed by analysts that players don't care?

Don't so-called experts preach that today's professional athletes are too self-centered, too caught up in the "self" to care much about the team?

And isn't the only reason that long-time records will never be broken because players today have the money to quit playing after seven, eight years?

They don't have the same drive as their predecessors, right? They don't have the heart. They don't have the same determination.

We're all cynics at some point. We're all critics. (Some more often than others obviously)

But with all the negativity surrounding sports today, people often wonder what's good; what they can cheer for — plenty.

That's right, plenty. Sports are about people. About heroes.

Sports are about the Casey Martins and the Tigers. About the now cancer-free John Cullens and the improving Reggie Browns. The hard-working Paul Molitors and Dan Marinos.

It's believing that for every first-round trouble maker like Randy Moss and Lawrence Phillips, there are two Andre Wadsworths and Peyton Mannings out there that will make the most of the chances granted to them.

Sports are about play-offs and the Ottawa Senators beating the Eastern Conference champs from New Jersey.

They're about the Stanley Cup contenders from Pittsburgh and Philadelphia losing to the upstart Canadiens and Sabres. And there about the Avalanche being dominated by the Oilers.

They're about improbable, yet possible upsets like those that the Houston Rockets and Minnesota Timberwolves almost gave us by giving their opponents all they could take in five, never-expected games.

Athletics are about passionate coaches.

One coach, a NBA professional, so devoted to his team that his star athlete vows not to play for another.

And another coach, perhaps an ex-professional, but most likely an average man or woman, sweating out a little league season or a summer basketball camp. Their athletes devotion is no doubt, just as fierce.

Sports are about missing Harry Caray. They're about remembering moments.

They are about the great, yet possibly ending careers of Steffi Graf and Michael Jordan.

They're about the spunk of the 16-year-old heartthrob, Anna Kournikova, and the confidence of the 19-year-old, multi-lingual Kobe Bryant, who'll tell you they're great, and then go out and prove it to you.

Sports, make no mistake, are about stat watching and record breaking. They're about the Mark McGwires and Cal Ripken Jrs. The John Elways and Jerry Rices.

Athletics have their image problems, but above all the bad, they have something that makes them special.

The opportunity for greatness. The ability to make great those that might never get a chance elsewhere.

You gotta love that.

Pitching, offense propel WSU to title



Jeff Mullinger/Staff Photographer

Shanon Lester attempts to apply the tag on UM-Duluth's Jed Meyer at second base in Friday's game.

By Jason Schulte
Staff Writer

Going into last weekend's double-header with the University of Minnesota-Duluth, Winona State University's baseball team knew what it needed to do to win the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference championship: win two out of the four games.

Mission accomplished.

After splitting with UM-D on Friday, WSU (15-5 NSIC, 32-16, overall) was bound and determined to win the first game on Saturday.

Behind the complete game, two hit performance from starter, Andy Wiedl (8-4), WSU won 10-2.

"In the first inning I was overthrowing a little bit and (Joe) Zydowsky just told me to relax the rest of the way, and I did," Wiedl said.

Wiedl got out of a jam in the second inning when the Bulldogs loaded the bases with one out.

Centerfielder Bryan Spaeth, however, popped out to Aaron Braund at third, who threw to second baseman Shanon Lester for the quick double play.

It was a 2-all game going into the bottom of the fifth inning when Winona State started the scoring barrage. Mike Welch hit a double and Braund

put WSU in the lead with his 21st homerun of the year.

The Warriors did more damage in the sixth inning when they exploded for five runs when Braund and Mark Olsen hit RBI doubles and Zydowsky hit a single that brought in two runs.

"I had so much confidence that our offense would score runs and they did," Wiedl said.

WSU coach Gary Grob felt it was an important win.

"It's great to win conference at home, and especially on senior day," Grob said. "We knew it would be a tough weekend because Duluth is a good ballclub."

UM-D coach Scott Hannah was equally sincere in his comments.

"They deserved to win conference," Hannah said. They are a very good baseball team that should go far in regions."

Andy Dooley (5-4) took the loss for the Bulldogs as he gave up seven runs on eight hits; only four of them were earned.

Winona State's hitting leaders were Welch who went 3-for-3. Both Braund and Zydowsky went 2-for-4, and Olsen knocked in two RBIs.

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Winona track strong at UW

MADISON, Wis. — Strength was the key to Winona State University's performance at the University of Wisconsin Open track and field meet where WSU's throwers finished four times in the top three spots of the throwing events. This was no easy task considering the competition included the University of Wisconsin, DePaul University and the University of Northern Iowa.

Warrior Nora Prom placed twice, the most of the throwers. She had a third-place finish in the shot put with a throw of 37 feet, 3 1/4 inches, and a second-place finish in the discus with a 125-3 inch throw. She also had a personal best in the hammer throw with a toss of 117-9 inches.

"This is my first season doing it (hammer throw), so I keep improving on it," Prom said.

Others who placed were Lisa Stockel who won the javelin outright with a 106 foot, 2 inch throw, and Sarah Nelson, who played injured, placing third in the discus with a throw of 112-6 inches. Nelson also competed in the hammer throw and javelin. Her tosses of 123-8 inches in hammer and 75-9 1/2 inches in javelin were not enough to place.

The runners also contributed to Winona's cause. Michelle Desruisseaux took two third places, one in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 1:12.67 seconds. She joined with Katie Checkalski, Pam Kniefel, Julie Kinzer for the 4x400 meter relay time of 4 minutes, 36.32 seconds. Karen Maseide

ran a 13.44 second time in the 100-meter dash for fourth.

Jumping came up short at the meet. In the long jump Maseide, Chakalski and Marnie Brys jumped 14-9 3/4 inches, 14-1 1/4 inches and 12-11 1/2 inches, respectively. All these jumps were not long enough to place.

Winona State next competes at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Championships where Desruisseaux thinks they have a good chance.

"We'll do well," she said. "We're well-rounded, we have athletes in every event."

The championships are Friday and Saturday at the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

Golfer's best not enough

SAINT OLAF, Minn. — The Winona State Warrior men's golf team saved its best for last; but it only provided them with a seventh-place finish in the 12-team Saint Olaf Invite on Thursday and Friday.

Coming off of a season-best total of 313 after the first day of the Invite, the Warriors stood in eighth-place ready to make a charge heading into the final day.

"We shot our best scores of the season but really didn't play that well," WSU coach Mark Bambenek said.

Day 2 provided the Warriors with another season-best total, this time three strokes better than the previous day; but it only lifted WSU from eighth

place into seventh with a two-day total of 623.

Matt Reel carded personal best scores of 75 and 74, respectively to pace the Warriors.

Other Warrior finishers included Jeff Ohm who shot rounds of 77 and 79 for a total of 156, followed by Aaron Richard who carded two rounds of 80 for a total of 160. Shaun Christensen shot a 162 and Kevin Odberg shot a 167.

"In all four of our tournaments we continued to get better, so the spring was a success," Bambenek said.

The WSU men now take the summer off and return to the links in September for the fall golf season.

WSU women netters finish 10-8, recap NSIC championship season

By Raegan Isham
Staff Writer

With its season ending in a Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Championship, the Winona State University women's tennis couldn't ask for much more.

WSU scored a total of 40 points in the tournament April 25 and 26, putting it 14 points ahead of second-place finisher, University of Minnesota-Duluth. It came home with three individual championships in singles to go along with another in doubles. Warrior Carrie Guros also brought home the NSIC conference MVP. It's safe to say the

Warriors completed their season with a fairytale ending.

Guros (12-10), a senior, has played the No. 1 slot for the Warriors the past four years.

"I thought it went really well," Guros said recalling her final season. "Definitely the most fun I've ever had."

The key to any successful team is team unity.

The Warriors had plenty.

"We are extremely close and that helped us to win the conference," Guros said.

Guros and fellow senior Susan Rader, will be missed next season, but

Guros believes the squad will be even better.

Rader (10-11), who played the number three singles position this past season brought home a conference championship as well. She won by default to Sonia Hegg of Moorhead State University in the championship match.

Rader was quite impressed by the way the team played all year long and especially during the conference meet.

"Everyone played with what they had, they played their hearts out," Rader said. "We worked really hard all year,

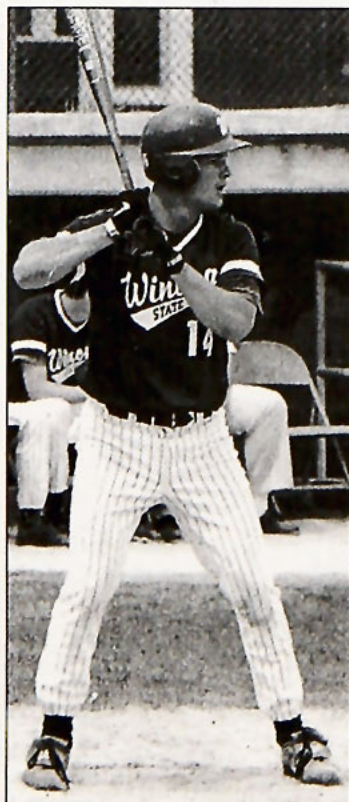
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Amanda Peterson/Staff Photographer

Warrior women's tennis team, from top left: Stacy Ditrach, Joanne Lashomb, Lara Ruud, Susan Rader, Kelly Schenck, Carrie Guros, Kristen Piotrowski, Gina Scipioni.

Warrior 2 Watch



Eric Young/Staff Photographer

Warrior ending record-setting career

Aaron Braund, Winona State's offensive force, wraps up four years atop history books

By Jason Schulte
Staff Writer

In the last four years, talk of the Winona State University baseball team hasn't gotten far before the name Aaron Braund is uttered.

Braund, from Holmen, Wis., came to Winona along with fellow senior, pitcher Andy Wiedl.

"I've know him since I was eight years old; he was my catcher all the way through last year," Wiedl said. "I can't think of anyone who doesn't like him; he's an all-around good guy."

Coach Gary Grob was confident he would come to WSU out of high school.

"I spent long hours recruiting him, met his folks," Grob said. "He was coming from an outstanding family, so I knew he would be a good person."

Braund started out his career at WSU as a catcher. "Of my 31 years here, he's one out of only four guys who have started for four years," Grob said.

What Grob didn't know was the work

ethic that Braund had when he came here.

"His freshman year we had fall practice at Winona Senior High and between innings I hear three loud thuds," Grob recalls. "I turn around and find out that he's practicing by throwing the ball on the back of the dugout."

I was just amazed that a freshman would be doing that."

He was also busy becoming a leader. "We have a hitting station downstairs (in Memorial Hall) and he started to spend a lot of time after practice down there and pretty soon he got the whole team down there," Grob said.

"I've never met a harder working individual who has a desire to be good."

However, he was having problems at the plate. His first two years he hit a combined two homeruns.

"I spent my first two years getting used to lots of things: college life, the difference between college and high school baseball; it was difficult for me."

His junior year, things started to turn around. He hit 13 homeruns and had 56

RBIs with a .377 batting average.

"When you're a junior or senior teammates look to you to be more of a leader," Braund believes. "You have to produce more, there are more expectations for you."

After playing most of his career behind the plate, Braund was moved to third base this season.

"We did that move for a lot of reasons," Grob said. "First, we needed a 3rd baseman. Second, we wanted to make a catcher out of (Chris) Popp and third, we got word from people at the next level that he would have a better chance to play in the majors if we moved him to third."

Two of three have worked. Popp injured a shoulder early, and Joe Zydowsky has started behind the plate most of the year.

"I spent a lot of my concentration playing catcher, and by moving to 3rd this year, most of my focus has now gone to hitting," Braund said.

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WSU softball ends season with split

By Jim Sewastynowicz
Staff Writer

The last doubleheader of the regular season April 28 looked like a miniature replica of the whole season. Like the first half of the season the Winona State University softball team came close but lost 5-3 in the first game, but overwhelmed the University of Wisconsin-Stout in the second game 5-0.

In the second game, Winona pulled together, seemingly doing nothing wrong Pitcher Rachel Lockwood (11-13) went the distance for the win. She allowed four hits, threw no one and struck out five.

The offense slowly built up its lead, adding a run or two for four straight innings. Left fielder Sarah Kuehn started things off, getting on base in two of her three at bats. She began the third inning with a triple to start a two-run rally.

"I like the lead-off because I know that if I can get on base the rest of my teammates will get me around," Kuehn

said.

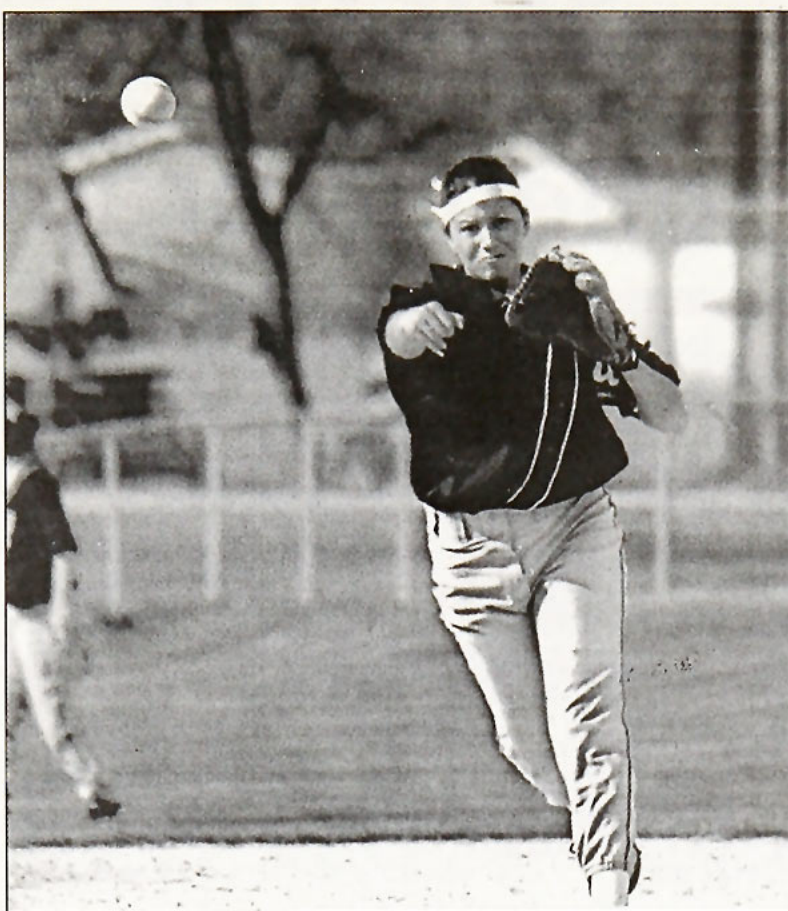
Bring her around they did, both times she was on base she scored a run.

Winona catcher Carolyn Fabsik also contributed to the win. She went 1-for-2 along with a walk and two runs scored.

Game 1 was a different story. Winona State got runners on base but had trouble getting them across home plate, leaving six stranded. The only big inning for WSU was the third when it scored three runs to take a one-run lead. Junior first baseman Tiffanie Regan led the comeback with a two-run single. She finished the day 1-for-3 with two RBIs.

Wisconsin-Stout shortstop Angie Pinnow ripped up Warrior pitching. She went 3-for-3 with two RBIs and a run scored.

Colleen Ryan started for WSU but left after 4 1/3 innings to take the loss. She gave up seven hits and four runs. Katie Maschman was somewhat more effective in her relief appearance, allowing one run off two hits.



Cliff Weidell/Staff Photographer

WSU's Jamie Benedict throws the ball to first base April 28. The Warriors split a double-header with UW-Stout.

Women shoot well

ST. CLOUD, Minn. — The Winona State University women golfers are garnishing another first place plaque after sweeping the St. Cloud State University Spring Invitational on Friday.

As a team WSU shot a season low score of 341 and had one medalist in the meet, Lesley Miller, who shot an 82.

It was a big day for the Warriors as they had four women shoot in the 80s.

"Anytime you can get four scores in the 80s, that's really good," Warrior coach Robert Newberry said.

Newberry was pleased with the quality of the women's performances on Friday.

"They played wonderful," Newberry said.

Shining above the rest was sophomore Andi Silvi, who shot an 84.

"The real surprise, had the best round of her college career was Andi," Newberry said.

The women traveled to Bemidji on Saturday and Sunday to compete in the

Minnesota Women's Golf Tournament Championship.

Out of 13 teams, WSU brought home a sixth-place finish with a two-day score of 725.

"We struggled a lot on Saturday, but the gals hung in there," Newberry said. "In golf it's really tough to play two days in a row."

Newberry felt the team played much better on Sunday and they improved their score from the first day by 11 strokes.

"The course on Sunday was much tougher and par was two more," Newberry said.

It was the combination of Miller and Emily Cytkowski who helped put the Warriors into sixth. Both women shot a 171 for the weekend and tied for sixth place in the individual leaders category.

"Certainly over the weekend they carried us," Newberry said of his number one and two golfers.

Baseball

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UM-Duluth 5, Winona St. 4

In Game 2, the Warriors got on the board first, this time scoring three runs in the first inning.

Shawn Killebrew started things off with a single and came around to score on a Welch single. Aaron Braund drew a walk, stole second and eventually stole home.

Bulldog starter Jake Dornseif limited WSU to just one run the rest of the game. The Bulldogs got the bats going in the fourth inning when they scored four runs on five hits highlighted by Matt Joesting's two-run double.

UM-D got the game-winning run in the fifth when Jaime Spry brought in Ryan Skubic with a RBI double off reliever Jarrod Brennan.

Winona tried to battle back. It scored a run in the bottom of the sixth when Braund singled, stole second and scored on Zydowsky's RBI single.

WSU had another chance in the seventh. Shea Mueske singled. But Killebrew struck out and Ken Fry hit a ball to the warning track in left field for a long out. Braund drew his second walk of the game and the stage was set for pinch-hitter Dave Campbell.

He struck out on three pitches to end the game.

Welch went 1-for-3 with a RBI. Zydowsky went 2-for-3 with a RBI and Braund had four stolen bases on the day.

Despite winning the title with a split, the Warriors had a feeling they could have won all four games.

"We can't keep losing these games we have a chance in," designated hitter Chris Popp said. "It could cost us a berth for the regions."

Next up for the Warriors, the NSIC tournament, and perhaps a regional play-off berth.

"It's a six-team, double-elimination tournament," Grob said. "If we take first or second, a region berth should be ours."

WSU will open play Thursday (1 p.m.) at Bemidji State University against the winner of the Bemidji-Northern State University game.

WSU gets two early leads, splits with UM-D

By Jason Schulte
Staff Writer

Winona State University, looking for a conference crown, wasted no time in scoring runs on Friday against the University of Minnesota-Duluth, but they split two games, winning 10-2 in Game 1, and losing 9-5 in Game 2.

In Game 1, the bottom of the first proved to be the engine starter for the Warriors. Aaron Braund hit his 20th homerun of the year.

"The first two guys got out and I was determined not to get out," Braund said. "It was a curveball and I just went with the pitch."

The Warriors went with a lot of UM-D pitches.

The bats came alive in the third in-

ning as the Warriors got to Duluth's starting pitcher Brent Gerten (6-2) for five runs. The big hit of the inning came when Joe Zydowsky brought in two runs with a double.

That was more than enough for Mark Hronski (7-1), who pitched a complete game. He struck out 11 Bulldog batters with only one walk.

"My goal is always to get the first strike because when that happens, I get to use my best stuff," Hronski said. "I like to use my gut feeling on pitches and for most of this year, it's been right."

Leading the Warriors at the plate was Braund, who went 3-for-4, with two RBIs. Mike Welch and Zydowsky each went two-for-three with two

In Game 2, Winona State again jumped out to a lead. This time a 4-0 advantage after the first inning.

Mike Welch hit a homerun and Mark Olsen pounded a two-run double.

But after that, Bulldog ace Chris Swiatkiewicz, (10-0) shut WSU down, limiting it to one run and two hits the rest of the way.

"He tried to overthrow the ball in the first inning, after that he just relaxed and pitched his normal self," UM-D coach Scott Hannah said.

Duluth started out the fourth inning with four straight hits off pitcher Ryan Johnson and cut the lead to 4-3.

The big damage, however, came in the sixth inning.

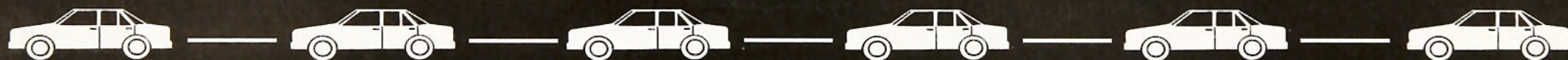
Two WSU errors led to five UM-D

runs off of Mat O'Brien (3-4) who came in to relieve Johnson. The nail in the coffin was Craig Liebaert's two-out, three-run homerun.

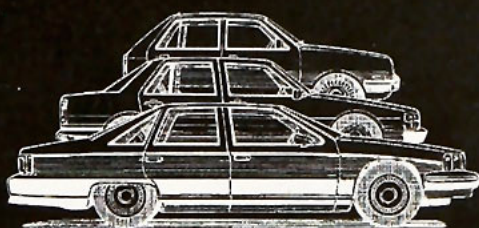
"He's been playing with a bad hamstring for the last week and I keep wanting to bench him, but he keeps convincing me to stay in the lineup," Hannah said.

Johnson went five innings, giving up four runs on seven hits. Olsen was the leader at the plate for WSU going 1-for-3 with two RBIs.

"We just couldn't shut off their hitters," WSU coach Gary Grob said. "The two defensive mistakes came back to haunt us, which always seems to happen."



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Ted Kluszewski

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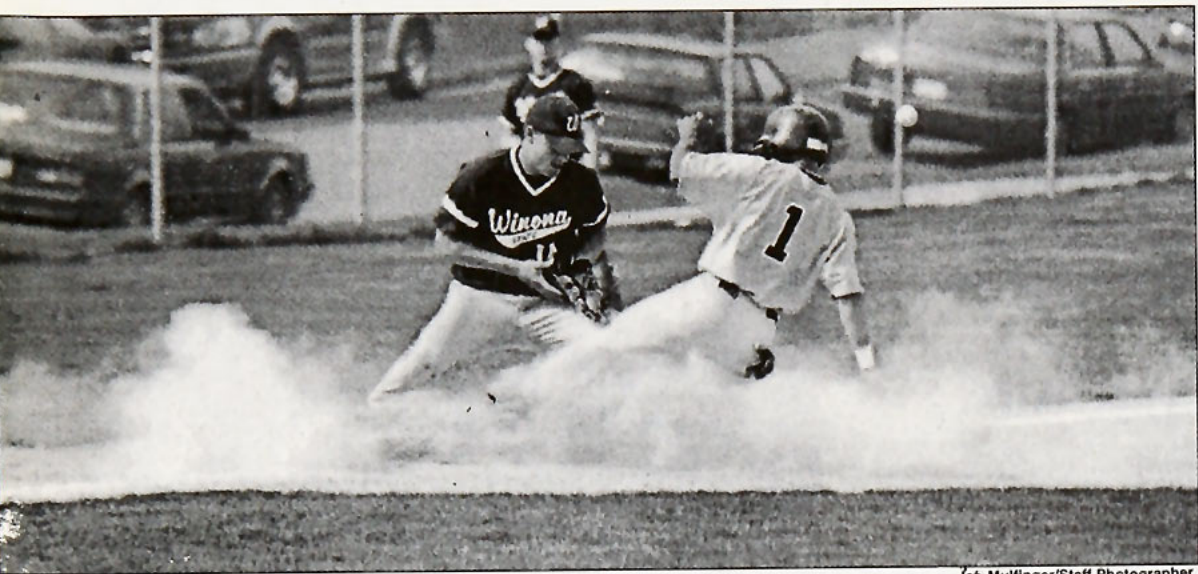
Ed Lynch

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YOU NEVER GET AHEAD. OF ANYONE AS LONG AS YOU TRY TO GET EVEN WITH HIM.
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Lou Holtz

“
IF YOU’RE LUCKY ENOUGH TO FIND A GUY WITH A LOT OF HEAD AND A LOT OF HEART, HE’LL NEVER COME OFF THE FIELD SECOND.
”

Vince Lombardi



The Warrior's Aaron Braund puts a late tag on Hector Vega of Upper Iowa University on April 29.

WSU can't take advantage of UIU

By Jason Schulte
Staff Writer

Missed opportunities.
That was the story for the Winona State University baseball team when it played Upper Iowa University April 29. Winona left 16 runners on base, which included bases loaded in the first, third and ninth innings to lose to UIU 10-9.
WSU was down 10-7 going into the bottom of the ninth when shortstop Steve Loos started off the rally with a double. Nick Altavilla was able to draw a walk, which brought up Mike Welch. Welch slapped a single to left to bring in Loos. An errant throw by the left fielder brought in Altavilla, putting the Warriors within one.
Peacock's starting pitcher, Matt Schawkowitch, intentionally walked

Aaron Braund, who had an earlier homerun, then Schawkowitch walked Chris Popp to load the bases loaded with no outs.
Mark Olsen grounded to third, but Welch couldn't beat the throw home. Pinch hitter, Mark Hronski then stepped up to the plate, but struck out swinging. Craig Lance was the last Warrior batter, but he grounded to third to end the game.
"The last two games we've missed opportunities to score and it's cost us," WSU coach Gary Grob said.
Welch agreed.
"We had so many chances to score, we just couldn't get the timely hits."
Upper Iowa had 16 hits on the game. It was lead by centerfielder, Max Edmond, who went 3-for-5 and had four stolen bases. As a team, the Pea-

cocks had 10 stolen bases on the day.
UIU's Mike Tablit (5-2) also had problems. He issued eight walks, but had six strikeouts. He gave up four runs on five hits.
"This was an example of two teams saving their best pitchers for games on the weekend," UIU coach Rick Heller said. "We started our No. 4 guy, and I know Winona didn't throw their best."
Grob agreed.
"You're going to get a wild game like this when both teams don't throw their best."
Leading Winona State at the plate was Welch, who went 3-for-6 with two RBIs.
Altavilla and Joe Zydowsky went 2-for-4 also. Loos finished 1-for-2, and was able to get three walks on the day.

Braund

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And has it ever paid off.
Braund has hit 21 homeruns with 71 RBIs this year with a whopping .431 batting average. This year alone he has broken the school records for career homeruns (35), RBIs (181), at-bats (581) and most homeruns in a year (21).
He's also No. 2 in career runs scored (159) and hits (214).
"He's the best pure hitter I've ever had," Grob said.
For a righthand hitter, Braund hits most of his homeruns to rightfield.
"As a No. 3 batter, I usually get most pitches thrown to me outside and I go with the pitch," Braund said.
"His ability to adjust to pitchers is outstanding," Grob said.
Teammates and coaches look for Braund to be the leader. "Although we have four captains, everybody looks to him to be our cheerleader, our ra-ra guy," Grob continued.
Other teammates echo those sentiments.
"He's a great hitter and leader. He's our vocal captain who makes sure to pump everybody up," outfielder Mike Welch said.
"We're a close-knit team that has had great chemistry all year," Popp said.
Does Braund have any wishes to

play in the majors? "Last year I had a few contacts, but this year, I wanted to enjoy the moment, let things happen and not spend all of my time on getting drafted."
While he's set most of his individual goals, team goals are more important to Braund.
"Winning the conference will be big for us (they did), we're a good team with a lot of talent that has high expectations."
"Off the field, I expected him to be like this," Grob said. "On the field, he's a good ballplayer, who has kept progressing each year into a strong young man."
As his college career is winding down, Braund has few regrets.
"The only regret is hitting only two homeruns in two years, I should have matured faster on this team," he admitted.
"I'm going to miss the friendship, the togetherness of the team," Braund said. "Every Thursday morning, me and Popp went ice fishing, I'll miss stuff like that the most."
His coach is going to miss him too.
"I wish I had nine players on the team just like him," Grob said. "I've never heard teammates or anybody say a bad word about him."
Which is probably, in the end, what people will be talking about.

Champs

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it was definitely a team effort."
Rader feels her best moment came during her conference meet semi-final victory against her opponent from UM-D, whom she had lost to previously during the season.
"I knew there was going to be a time when I would play my best," Rader said about her three-set match win that put her into the finals.
Kelly Schenck (18-4), one of two freshmen, also came home with a conference championship. Although this was Schenck's first year ever playing doubles, she teamed up with Guros and finished with a record of 10-10.
The combination of Gina Scipioni and Lara Ruud (11-7) brought home the lone NSIC doubles championship trophy.
Scipioni and Ruud have been playing together since seventh grade and according to Scipioni, the most satisfying.
"It was really big for us because we always lose at regions or conference," she said.
"We all stuck together and are all good athletes," Ruud said. "Our goal was to win conference and we did it."
Throughout the season the women's tennis team had their ups and downs, but in the end they finished higher than anyone.



From the cheap seats

Warrior sports on tap

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Saturday	NSIC Tournament	@ Bemidji
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Question of the Week:

Can HIV be transmitted through saliva?

Answer to Last Week's Question:

Genital warts are caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV), similar to what causes skin warts. HPV may be either visible or invisible. HPV is contagious, so if your partner has genital warts, a latex condom must be used to reduce exposure.

*Answer will be posted in next week's edition.

Up-Coming Events:

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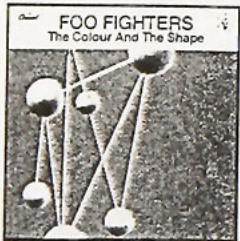
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Honor the people

Clockwise from above left: Laura Stempson, Michael Stempson and Crystal Charging Eagle, originally from the Standing Rock Reservation in South Dakota, dance in a circle at the fourth annual pow-wow held at Maxwell Field last weekend; Internationally-known dancer Thirza Defoe, 16, performs a hoop dance at her third WSU pow wow; Red Elk Banks, of Ann Arbor, Mich. keeps the beat; Vern Martin and the Yah Sa Chi-noodin singers sing and beat the drum. Everything at a pow wow is done in a circle because it is believed to have power; Joan White braids the hair of Rachelle Smith in preparation for a jingle dance; Grand entry members Harry Persinger, Dave Larson and Lyman Roberts carry their respective family eagle staffs.

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